TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE





SB 2122

August 2, 2011

SUMMARY OF BILL: Authorizes the Department of Health (DOH) to directly deliver family planning services and programs. Prohibits DOH and county health departments from contracting with or disbursing family planning funds to third-party providers or private organizations or entities.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

State Expenditures – Not Significant

Local Expenditures – Not Significant

Other Fiscal Impact – Title X family planning federal funding is based on the number of clients served statewide. If Davidson and Shelby counties are unable to provide the services to the same number of patients as in previous years, federal funding may be reduced. The amount of reductions cannot be reasonably quantified due to the uncertainty related to the number of patients served.

Assumptions:

- Currently, 94 out of 95 Tennessee counties agree to accept all available Title X federal funds from the Department of Health and provide the family planning services themselves
- Davidson County Health Department (DCHD) will accept the full amount of funding for family planning services budgeted for Davidson County in FY11-12. The total amount DCHD will receive is \$894,700, of which \$335,000 has previously been disbursed to a third-party provider.
- Shelby County Health Department (SCHD) has indicated that it does not have the capacity to provide services to the same number of patients currently served in the county and is in the process of issuing an RFP to award some funds to a third-party provider to provide some of the overflow services. The total amount of federal Title X funding SCHD will receive is \$1,345,000. In previous years, \$747,900 has been disbursed to a third-party provider.

- Title X federal funding is based on the number of clients served statewide. If Davidson and Shelby County Health Departments are unable to provide family planning services to the same number of patients as in previous years, federal funding may be reduced.
- The amount of total potential reductions cannot be reasonably quantified due to the uncertainty related to the number of patients served.
- DOH and local health departments will not increase their expenditures in order to provide family planning services to the same number of patients as in previous years.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

James W. White, Executive Director

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